from the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam on the subject matter.

Meaning of taje-taja jal in Food Adulteration Rules, 1995

†2976. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the. fact that meaning of taje-taja jal used on page 2 and 3 or 'fresh water[1] printed on pages 4 and 5 in rule 32(a) Section (b) of Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1995, published on 4th April, 2001 under GSR 245 (a) in Gazette of India, Part-2, Section 3, sub-section (1) Serial No. 166, is not clear anywhere in the whole notification;

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard, so far, and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The words "fresh water or marine animal" have to be read as a phrase. The phrase "fresh water or marine animal" means an animal that lives in fresh water as against one that is a marine animal *i.e.* "fresh water animal or marine animal".

Infection cases during operations

†2977. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cases of infection in patients during operations are on the increase in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons for the increase in such cases;

(c) whether Government have issued guidelines to prevent such cases;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

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